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Convened: 6:00 pm

Present: Andrew Artimovich, Chairman

Jeffrey Bryan David Menter Michael Hubbard

The Board met and reviewed payroll, accounts payable and signed the register. The Selectmen reviewed and signed the recreation register.

Overtime for police department was 4 hours, fire department was 5 hours, and highway had 23.5 hours of overtime for this pay period.

Jonathan Ellis was in to present the weekly Treasurer's report. Please see last page to view report.

Bryan made a motion, 2nd by Hubbard to approve the public minutes of 8/16/11. All were in favor.

Bryan made a motion, 2nd by Hubbard to approve the nonpublic minutes of 8/16/11. All were in favor.

The Board agreed to waive the civil penalty of \$5000 for Allan Knowles and he will begin paying \$100 a month for town attorney fees. A stipulation is to be filed with the court stating this agreement.

Easement documents for Krista Larson regarding the Crawley Falls Bridge repairs were reviewed and signed by the Board.

School District Meeting will be 3/10/12.

Bryan made a motion, 2nd by Menter to sign a special permit to replace a septic system at 151 Deer Hill Road. All were in favor. Hubbard questioned why septic inspections were outsourced to RCCD. Gil is not a licensed septic installer; it is more cost effective to outsource this function.

Selectmen meetings will convene at 6 p.m. moving forward.

Bryan made a motion, 2nd by Menter to sign the Land Use Change Tax Warrant for 5 properties being removed from current use as new house lots are being developed. All were in favor.

Gil Tuck had no building permits to be signed this week.

In reviewing the updated budget report, Bryan questioned the fire departments budget as the bottom line figure is not the same as the amount approved in December 2010. Clement to follow up with Carolyn to see what the discrepancy is.

Chief Lemoine was present to discuss a few items. An update on the storm, the busiest time for the department was from 11-2 as Three Ponds Campground was evacuated and they received 2 mutual aide calls from Kingston and Epping. The department started their mutual aide agreement with Epping, Exeter and Kingston to assist with coverage Monday thru Friday 6am to 6pm. Engine 1 is out of service,

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should be back this week. Tim Hannon has framed several pictures for the new station. Lemoine will thank him in the newsletter. Planning an event at the station for Fire Prevention Week 10/15/11 1-4.

Lemoine mentioned that full-timer Joe Byrd would be on vacation in October and that the department would be short of drivers. Menter asked the Chief how many fire department members there are and how many of them are drivers. Lemoine stated there are 25-28 members but only 4 or 5 of them are drivers. Menter asked if Duane or Wayne could drive a truck while Joe was on vacation as they both have CDL's and are in town. Hubbard asked why the rest were not drivers, and Lemoine stated that the others did not want to. Lemoine said it's more than needing a truck driver. He needs a pump operator and does not have enough people on the call force that are trained to drive trucks.

Lemoine wanted to discuss posting a position for a full time firefighter. Proposed salary for this position is \$34000-41000. Menter suggested waiting another year, filling the shifts with call force, and capture the savings from not rehiring. The savings from health benefits, retirement, vacation, and built in overtime would be about \$25000. Artimovich said 1 fulltime firefighter is a waste of money. He said you need 2 full timers or a call force. Hubbard asked the Chief if there is a public safety issue by not filling this position. Bryan would like to see monthly reports from Lemoine with statistics on number of accidents, calls, etc. Bryan made a motion, 2nd by Menter to wait another year before rehiring a full time firefighter. Bryan, Menter, and Hubbard were in favor. Artimovich was against. Lemoine stated that was not his recommendation.

Artimovich mentioned the live in program and stated that it can be a successful program if it is managed properly. Lemoine said he posted the position but does not have high expectations to recruit someone at this point in the year. Lemoine will post it again for 2nd semester. The program requires a \$1500 deposit and the candidate can stay as long as the situation remains beneficial to both parties. Lemoine estimates that the program will save the town \$1000 per month.

Robinson was in to see if Mike Sanborn could have the fill that's out behind the BCC. Bryan suggested having Mike haul the fill that Robinson needs to the highway shed and then he can have whatever is left. The Board agreed. Robinson asked what his budget would be next year for paving as he has received several complaints on Stevens Drive, Peabody Drive, and Prescott Road. Bryan said the town will probably go with \$250000 again.

A motion was made by Artimovich, 2nd by Menter to go into nonpublic sessions per RSA 91-A: 3, II (a) to discuss employee matters. Artimovich, Menter, Bryan, and Hubbard were in favor.

Following discussion, Bryan made a motion to come out of non-public and seal the minutes. Menter 2nd the motion; Artimovich, Menter, Bryan, and Hubbard were in favor.

Motion to adjourn at 7:50 pm made by Bryan, 2nd by Hubbard; all were in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Clement

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WEEKLY TREASURER'S REPORT

Date: September 6, 2011

Citizens General Fund:

Previous Balance: 8,020.45 Deposits: 21,518.01

CK:

Payroll: 21,446.79 DD: 8069.47 13377.32

FICA: 5,755.68 A/P: Regular 197,627.90

Non-A/P

to Impact Fees

From MMA 200,000.00

Bank Charge

TO MMA
Account Balance: 4,708.09
Interest Earned YTD: 86.03

Unrestricted

CD's: Balance: -

Unrestricted

MMA: Balance: 2,965,225.04

Total Invested

Funds: 2,965,225.04 Interest Earned YTD: 1,425.93